

# THE EARTHQUAKE

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**W**E have now received a more particular Account of the EARTH-QUAKE that lately happened in this Kingdom. It was felt here on the 8th Instant, between 7 & 8 hours, and lasted about half a minute, shaking all the Churches & Houses in this City, throwing down none, nor killing any body. The Cathedral Church, with those of St. *Livino*, and several others; as also the Palaces of the Dukes of *Madaloni* and *Stefano Leon*, received the most damage; And part of the Hill without the Gate of the Town, fell in; But it was much more terrible in the Country: In the Districts of *Lauro* and *Marano*, and at *Lipari*, and *Mercogliano*, several Castles and Houses are thrown down, and some persons killed; At *Nola*, the Bishop's Palace, and a Monastery of Nuns: At *Napoli*, *Portici*, *Arzano*, and *Arzano*, most of the Houses are ruined; At *Orriano*, the Castle, the Bishop's Palace, and the Palace of the Duke are quite ruined; At *Mercogliano*, the Church, and at *Casus* several Houses; At *Arzo*, the Roof of the chief Church thrown down, with some other Churches; and a Monastery; at *Vico*, all the Houses except 40; at *Cava*, the Bishop's Palace, and 3 Chappels, are laid in Ruins. In the Principality of *Citra*; at *Recigliano*, all the Houses are down, and 220 persons killed, and divers wounded; At *Belvano* 70 killed, At *St. Gregorio*, *Lavignano*, *Romignano*, *Coliano*, *Sala*, *Valvano*, divers Houses destroyed, and the Marquis de *Valvano* killed; At *Vietri*, *St. Asfori*, *Diano*, *Arzo*, *la Pella*, *Boon Abitacolo*, and *Padula*, few Houses are left standing; and at *Luffe*, none. In the Province of *Ultra*, at *St. Mauro*, *Valetta*, *Torrelle*, *la Torre*, *Zincolo*, *St. Gagliano*, and *Suoffo*; there are no Houses left, and very few at *St. Agente* and *Trivigo*; At *Guardia Lombardis*, all the Houses

destroyed, and the Dutches *Pignatelli* killed, and the Duke wounded; At *Pattino* the Church of *St. Nicolas* is thrown down, and that of *St. Michael* very much damaged; At *Grotta Minarda* most of the Houses, with 10 persons; and at *Adriabellu* most of the Houses down, and 23 persons killed; At *Gesuale* part of the Bishops Palace is down, and 5 or 6 persons killed; and several at *St. Angelo*; At *Cosia* all the Houses and Churches destroyed, and even the foundations of the Church of *St. Giberto* are not now to be seen; At *Mirano* the Church of *St. Geronimo*, with the Arch-bishops Palace, are quite ruined, and about 300 persons killed; At *Calabri*, the Castle, and all the Houses, with 1200 persons, and among these several Persons of Quality destroyed; At *Pesce Pisciotta* 200 persons; At *St. Andrea* 50; And at *St. Andrea* 40 persons killed, and all the Buildings of the Castle, and all the Houses, with several Villages thereabouts. In the Province of *Basilicata*, at *Muro*, most of the Houses, and about One Thousand Persons killed. The Town of *Bella* is reduced to the same condition, and about 1300 persons destroyed; At *Tricarico*, *Ruati*, and *Barrile*; the damage is also very great, and above 50 persons; at *Rapolla* 100 Houses; At *Adelfi*, the Castle, with most of the Monasteries and Houses; At *Tes* the great Church, with many Houses, and 100 persons destroyed; The Hill near that place opened at the same time, and a little Rivulet that run near it, was thrown out of its Channel; At *Potenza*, the Church, and most of the other Buildings; with several of the Inhabitants; The Towns of *Vignola*, *Matera*, *Casville*, *St. Michele*, *Lovelle*, *Forenza*, *Salamora*, have likewise suffered very much: And upon the whole, the loss is so great, that it will require a long time to repair it.

\* At Naples, the Sun, when in the *Aquinox*, rises at Twelve; and makes Noon, at Eighteen hours: For the Italians begin their Reckoning from Sunset; and divide the whole Night & Day, into Four and Twenty equal Hours, in a continued Account.

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